MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMAN : ന്യൂപേർ പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവീസുകമ്മീഷണരുടെ ആഫീസിൽ ഉള്ളതിൽ സംവരണക്കത്തോലിക്കരിൽനിന്നും ഒരു പ്യൂണിനേപ്പോലും നിയമിക്കാതിരുന്നതിന്റെ കാരണമെന്താണു? ഈ സമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നും എഫിഷ്യൻസി ഉള്ളവർ അപേക്ഷകന്മാരായില്ലാതിരുന്നതു കൊണ്ടാണോ ?

DR. G. D. NOKES : Some were transferred from other offices and a few were recruited under the Rules, and therefore it happened that there was no member of the community mentioned.

MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMAN : ആഫീസു നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ പ്രതിഫലമായ അല്ലെ മറ്റു നിയമനങ്ങളിലും വെളിപ്പെട്ടു കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതു

DR. G. D. NOKES : No, Sir.

Export duty on coir and copra.

372 **MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the rate at which copra and coir are valued for the purpose of fixing the export duty ;

(*b*) the present market value of copra and coir ;

(*c*) the average market value of copra and coir for the past one year ; and

(*d*) what steps have the Government taken to redress the hardships caused by the differences in the market value and the valuation for the purpose of fixing the export duty ?

MR. M. P. JOSEPH : (*a*) For the purpose of levying export duty, copra is valued at the rate of Rs. 10 per cwt. and coir at the rate of Rs 12 per cwt.

(*b*) The present market value of copra is Rs. 43 per candy. The market value of coir ranges from Rs. 30 to Rs. 58 per candy.

(*c*) The average market value of copra for the last year is Rs. 42 per candy and that of coir ranges between Rs. 30 to Rs. 61 per candy.

(*d*) Steps were taken from time to time by Government to adjust the tariff values of copra and coir with reference to their market values.

Coir yarn Shipped to South African Ports.

373. ***MR. M. L. JANARDANA PILLAI** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the quantity and value of coir yarn shipped to South African Ports from Travancore?

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